

(San Antonio Immunization Registry System)



Keeping Immunizations on Track

Since 1980, the City of San Antonio has maintained a functional registry system known as the San Antonio Immunization Registry System (SAIRS). SAIRS has been an important tool for tracking immunization records for an ever-increasing and mobile South Texas population (children, adolescents, and adults). The SAIRS consolidates vaccination records for children (also adolescents and adults) from multiple providers. provides vaccination needs assessments for each child, generates reminder notices for providers, produces an official SAMHD immunization record, provides practice and community-based vaccination coverage assessments, and provides an excellent tool to determine areas underimmunization during times of disease outbreaks.

A Plus for Parents

Parents whose children's immunizations records are maintained in SAIRS can retrieve a copy of their child's record, for a minimal cost, at any SAMHD health department clinic or City of San Antonio Service Center Kiosk. This can be especially useful for school and daycare entry and/or replacing a lost immunization record.

Benefits to Providers

Public and private providers who partner with the SAMHD also benefit from the SAIRS. Among some of the advantages are:

- Consolidating immunization records from all other providers into one record;
- Providing reliable immunization histories for any child;
- Providing definitive information on immunizations due and/or overdue;
- Accessing patient immunization records via fax, phone, and internet

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